

WASHINGTON, Aug. 18 (UPI). — The Senate today passed legislation that would convert the U. S. system of measurements to the metric system over the next 10 years.

Passed by voice vote without opposition or debate, the bill would convert the federal government to the metric system and begin a voluntary conversion within industry, extending the change over a decade to ease the expense.

The system would replace inches, pounds and quarts with meters, kilograms and liters. A meter is equivalent to about 39 inches, a kilogram to 2.2 pounds and a liter to 1.05 quarts.

The reform was recommended last year after the Commerce Department conducted a three-year, \$4 million study called "A Metric America—A Decision Whose Time Has Come."

The bill, which now goes to the House, would establish an 11-member board representing business, education, labor, consumers, science and technology to encourage industry to convert. No compulsion would be involved.

The Senate Commerce Committee, which cleared the bill sponsored by Sen. Claiborne Pell, D. R. I., said that 11 percent of the nation's economy was already on the metric system, mostly in the fields of medical, engineering, military, drugs, and scientific areas.

"Because the metric system is a comprehensive system, simple to use, and a scientifically developed measurement system, its adoption would save engineering time, improve accuracy and reduce educational time needed to learn the measurement system," the committee said.

In other developments:

- The Senate yesterday sent to President Nixon a rural development bill designed to improve living conditions in small towns and lure more industrial jobs there.
- Sponsors estimated that the measure would cost \$400 million a year for new grant programs.
- Senate-House conferees on an anti-poverty bill announced yesterday they have dropped completely a provision to set up an independent national corporation to run the controversial legal services for the poverty program.
- The surprise action came because sponsors of the measure were unable to get President Nixon to accept any compromise on how the directors should be named to control the corporation.
- Elimination of the corporation means that legal services will continue to be run by the Office of Economic Opportunity, the anti-poverty agency, and be subject to state governors' vetoes.

Explaining His Death

Key Hassan Aide Denounced As Plotter of Assassination

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said. When the answer was affirmative, Gen. Oufkir was reported to have said:

"I know what awaits me."

He pulled out a revolver, according to Mr. Benhima, and shot himself three times.

"He was a suicide, they did not kill him," Mr. Benhima said with great insistence and emotion.

The minister talked of his "betrayed naïveté" and thus seemed to sum up the general reaction to the alleged turnabout of a man in whom the king had placed his greatest trust during the most dramatic hours of his 10-year-old reign.

Mr. Benhima said he had information on the "objective" and "subjective" reasons for Gen. Oufkir's alleged actions but would not divulge them. Although the official listing of Gen. Oufkir's death as a suicide was widely accepted yesterday, the most general explanation for it yesterday was that Gen. Oufkir, 48, felt he had failed to do what he wished to do—protect the king.

"I am convinced that it was a suicide of treason and not one of loyalty," Mr. Benhima declared. He added that the investigations were continuing and that it was up to the military tribunals to establish the complete truth.

Mr. Benhima announced that

the king would break his silence on the affair by addressing the nation over television and radio tomorrow evening.

British Decision Analyzed
LONDON, Aug. 18 (AP).—Britain refused political asylum to the two Moroccan Air Force officers in the anti-Hassan plot in order to avoid trouble in Gibraltar, government sources said today.

"It was clear that their continued presence in Gibraltar would not have been conducive to the public good," a Foreign Office spokesman said.

It was understood that the British thought the risk of internal difficulties in Gibraltar would not have been eliminated by sending the officers to any other country.

Morocco, which demanded their return, provides essential food supplies to Gibraltar. The British said there had been no Moroccan threat to cut off these supplies, but the possibility was believed to be a factor in the British decision.

There are now some 3,000 Moroccan workers and their families among Gibraltar's population of 25,000. These immigrants are believed loyal to the king and in favor of the officers' return to Moroccan justice.

The Gibraltar economy has relied on Moroccan workers to replace former labor from Spain. Spain has closed its frontier with Gibraltar to back its demands for a return of the colony from Britain.

The decision to send them back risked diplomatic trouble for the British from Egypt, Algeria, Libya and other Arab states opposed to King Hassan's regime. But the Foreign Office said there had been no protests from other governments.

Anti-Busing Bill Voted

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wiping out even the concept of pairing.

Rep. O'Hara represents a portion of Detroit and its suburbs where school busing has become an emotionally charged issue in recent years.

The proposal to reopen previously settled desegregation cases, most of them throughout the South, was offered by Rep. Edith Green, D., Ore., and adopted by a vote of 246 to 142. It is uncertain how many such cases might be reopened, but Elliot L. Richardson, secretary of health, education and welfare, suggested recently that at least 100 such cases might be subject to review, if the proposal becomes law.

The House also adopted by a vote of 178 to 88 the proposal by Mrs. Green to ban long-distance busing of older school children, as well as younger ones.

As the bill came to the floor, it would have placed the busing curbs only on students in the sixth grade or below.

Those in junior or senior high schools could have been transported to more distant schools for the purpose of integration but only after a series of other desegregation remedies had been tried and failed.



DAMAGED—Moroccan pointing to hole made by rebel rocket during Wednesday's attack on King Hassan's plane.

King's Shot-Up Plane Shown; Its Survival Called a Miracle

RABAT, Morocco, Aug. 18.—Bullets and rockets fired at King Hassan's royal Boeing-727 in the mid-air assassination attempt struck the aircraft in more than 15 places, including the exhaust pipe of the main jet.

The king's *baraka*—luck in Arabic—seemed to have been with him. Mechanics working on the damaged plane said they were surprised that it had not blown up. The craft landed with only one of its three engines operating, the one to the right.

Newsman were shown the plane today. They saw part of the tail ripped away, a gaping hole in the main jet, a puncture the size of grapefruit in the port wing, a hole the size of a suitcase in the fuselage above the wing and several other smaller holes. In all, there were at least 25 shell holes, plus 30 fissures caused by shrapnel or bullets.

The fuselage showed small jagged holes just to the front of the engine on the port side, behind the place where the king was sitting as he flew home from Paris after a private visit to France.

The overall impression from the damage was that the attacking jet fighters had strafed the king's plane from below and behind. "It's exceptional—in fact almost a miracle—that the Boeing could land," an official said today. "It was the experience of the pilot."

One government official said panic broke out aboard—where the king was accompanied by 100 aides. Some passengers were praying and crying during the 20-minute flight between the attack and the crippled craft's landing.

Hanoi Rules Out Compromise In Warning to Russia, China

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Central Committee's secretary, Konstantin Katusev, Tass reported that Mr. Tass expressed gratitude for Soviet aid and the Soviet Union repeated its economic, military, "moral and political support to the brotherly Vietnamese people until the complete triumph of its just cause."

The North Vietnamese editorial published yesterday, however, carried a sharp sting at any Socialist nation that puts a higher priority on "narrow, immediate interests" than on maximum fidelity to "liberation" warfare.

The takeoff point for this editorial, entitled, "Victory of the Revolutionary Trend," was what was described as the "profound significance" of the recent conference of nonaligned nations in Georgetown, Guyana, that admitted to membership the Provisional Revolutionary Government of South Vietnam (Viet Cong) and the representatives of the Royal Government of National Union of Cambodia, which is in exile and is aligned with the Communists in Indochina.

The conference's action represented recognition that Indochina is "the testing-ground of revolution," the editorial said. The editorial then zeroed in on "a number of big powers" who have been drawn into the U.S. "policy of reconciliation." This policy, it warned, is designed in part to "break the national liberation movement" and sap "the vitality of Marxism-Leninism."

Whatever others do, the North Vietnamese pronouncement said, "we are fighting staunchly, unflinchingly, without compromise."

Overhaul for A-Sub
WASHINGTON, Aug. 18 (UPI).—America's oldest nuclear submarine, the USS Nautilus, will disappear from the seas for a year to receive a \$141-million overhaul—the third since it was commissioned eight years ago, the Navy said.

Only 3 Moves on 2d Day

Fischer and Spassky Agree To Draw in Their 15th Game

By Harold C. Schonberg

REYKJAVIK, Aug. 18 (NYT).—It took only three moves for Bobby Fischer and Boris Spassky to decide on a draw in today's adjourned 15th game of the world chess championship match. The entire playing session took less than two minutes, but it put Fischer that much closer to the title. With the score now 9 to 6 in his favor, he needs only three and a half points to become the world champion. Spassky, who for the last three games has not been able to reduce his three-point handicap, needs six points to retain his title.

If Fischer takes off on one of his famous winning streaks, he could end the match a week from Sunday.

Today's adjourned game ended, as predicted by many analysts, in a perpetual check. Both players had decided overnight that there was no future in continuing the struggle. Neither had found a winning continuation. In any case, it was Spassky who was on the defensive, and he was glad to accept the draw offered after the 43d move, by Fischer.

Fischer had miscalculated in the early part of the game yesterday, allowing the champion to win a pawn. While Fischer managed to regain the initiative, he, like Spassky, then lost his way, in the opinion of the experts, in what should have been a winning continuation.

"Spassky was busted," said a grand master, "but Fischer let him off the hook."

This opinion was shared, somewhat more gently, by the Soviet international master Ivo Nei, a member of Spassky's team. "First Spassky should have won and then Fischer should have won," he said.

Several hundred people braved the heavy rain to see the mini-game in Exhibition Hall today. Presumably they believed that the players had found some sort of continuation. They saw, if

nothing else, the usual pawns of the players that has featured this match.

The stage was empty when Lothar Schmid, the referee, approached the table to start the clock. Today's game was scheduled for 2:30 p.m. because of Fischer's observance of the Sabbath. Just as Schmid approached the table, Spassky appeared. The referee started Fischer's clock. Spassky settled himself and looked at the board. Seven minutes later Fischer appeared, at which point Schmid opened Spassky's sealed move. As everybody had expected, it was rook to queen knight 2.

Yesterday, just before the game, Schmid made a short speech pleading for the audience to avoid making any kind of noise. "Do not even whisper to each other," he pleaded. The game was held under exceptionally quiet conditions, and today's game had gone on longer than it did, also would have been played under conditions resembling a classroom, during final exams.

Audience Tiptoes
Fischer's constant battle against noise, coupled with the exhortations of the referee, have made the audience at Exhibition Hall exceptionally noise conscious. Yesterday and today many of the ticket holders were seen actually tiptoeing into the auditorium.

But Bobby Fischer is not yet satisfied, and letters from him continue to be sent to the referee. Schmid has been personally attacked by Fischer, as in a letter from the American two days ago signed by his representative Fred Cramer. In that letter it was demanded of Schmid that he "do something better than piously wave your hands from time to time."

Many observers are puzzled by the attacks against the referee, who has done everything but descend into the audience and physically assault spectators who raise their voices above a whisper.

"What do they expect him to do?" one observer asked, "use nerve gas?"

Hijacker Gets Gold

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Air Lines aircraft until the Vietnam war is ended." He said United was "a major contributor to the war effort based on profit and greed."

The FBI in Seattle said authorities were "trying to make arrangements" to meet the demands. A United official said the money would be available, but he did not elaborate.

The hijacker's final destination was not known. Also unknown were his plans for most of the items he demanded: \$2 million in \$20 and \$50 bills, 15 one-pound gold bars, "heavy artillery," including armor-plating shells, tracers, two machine guns and three submachine guns; clothing, flashlights, food, medicine and hand tools.

The day's events started early in the morning at Reno, scene of another United hijack less than three months ago.

According to United spokesmen, a middle-aged man wearing a ski mask pedaled his bicycle with a military rifle across his handlebars up to the three-engined jet and brushed aside several passengers, pushing his way on to the plane.

One of the passengers still waiting to get on ran back to the terminal and told United officials, who opened a rear exit and hurried out the passengers already on board and three stewards.

Capt. C.J. Lennahan, First Officer, and Second Officer J.P. Vohs remained on board.

The hijacker ordered the crew to put his bicycle on the plane and take off immediately. The plane left Reno at 1:51 p.m. EDT and the rifle-carrying bandit ordered it to Vancouver, Canada.

Lengthening List
He started issuing his demands: First the money and some small arms, then the other items, lengthening the list as the day wore on.

The airliner landed at Vancouver at 4:32 p.m. PDT. Its takeoff was delayed while officials awaited the arrival of a truck bearing the 15 gold bars.

While in Vancouver, the hijacker also demanded that a radio station broadcast a message from him. One such broadcast was made, but the hijacker wasn't satisfied and another message was prepared.

"We've run plenty of messages, but apparently he doesn't like them so he's doing his own now," said Clark Housley, a radio newsmaster.

Fifty-two passengers had been scheduled to take the flight to San Francisco, but it was not known how many had boarded when the hijack began.

Reno Police Chief James Parker said the man was "very roughly" described as being a white male in his 40s. He said "the hijacker" arrived at the airport with the rifle slung over the handlebars of his bicycle.

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The 15th Game

REYKJAVIK, Aug. 18 (AP).—Here are the moves in the 15th game of the world chess championship between challenger Bobby Fischer and titleholder Boris Spassky:

SPASSKY (White)	FISCHER (Black)
1. P-K4	P-QB4
2. K1-KB3	P-Q3
3. P-Q4	P-P
4. K1P	K1-KB3
5. K1-QB3	P-K3
6. B-KK5	P-K3
7. P-B4	P-B3
8. Q-B3	Q-K3
9. Q-Q3	Q-K1-Q2
10. R-Q3	P-K4
11. K1-K1	P-K3
12. Q-K3	

Elapsed Time: Spassky 7 minutes, Fischer 13 minutes.

13. O-O-O
14. K1-K3
15. Q-P
16. Q-P
17. K1-K1

Elapsed Time: Spassky 43 minutes, Fischer 58 minutes.

18. K1-K4
19. K1-Q2
20. K1-K1

Elapsed Time: Spassky 64 minutes, Fischer 84 minutes.

21. P-P
22. P-P
23. P-P

Elapsed Time: Spassky 103 minutes, Fischer 114 minutes.

24. K1-K3
25. K1-K3
26. K1-K3

Elapsed Time: Spassky 123 minutes, Fischer 134 minutes.

27. K1-K3
28. K1-K3
29. K1-K3

Elapsed Time: Spassky 134 minutes, Fischer 145 minutes.

30. K1-K3
31. K1-K3
32. K1-K3

Elapsed Time: Spassky 154 minutes, Fischer 165 minutes.

33. K1-K3
34. K1-K3
35. K1-K3

Elapsed Time: Spassky 174 minutes, Fischer 185 minutes.

36. K1-K3
37. K1-K3
38. K1-K3

Elapsed Time: Spassky 194 minutes, Fischer 205 minutes.

39. K1-K3
40. K1-K3
41. K1-K3

Elapsed Time: Spassky 214 minutes, Fischer 225 minutes.

42. K1-K3
43. K1-K3
44. K1-K3

Elapsed Time: Spassky 234 minutes, Fischer 245 minutes.

45. K1-K3
46. K1-K3
47. K1-K3

Elapsed Time: Spassky 254 minutes, Fischer 265 minutes.

48. K1-K3
49. K1-K3
50. K1-K3

Elapsed Time: Spassky 274 minutes, Fischer 285 minutes.

51. K1-K3
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53. K1-K3

Elapsed Time: Spassky 294 minutes, Fischer 305 minutes.

54. K1-K3
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56. K1-K3

Elapsed Time: Spassky 314 minutes, Fischer 325 minutes.

57. K1-K3
58. K1-K3
59. K1-K3

Elapsed Time: Spassky 334 minutes, Fischer 345 minutes.

60. K1-K3
61. K1-K3
62. K1-K3

Elapsed Time: Spassky 354 minutes, Fischer 365 minutes.

63. K1-K3
64. K1-K3
65. K1-K3

Elapsed Time: Spassky 374 minutes, Fischer 385 minutes.

66. K1-K3
67. K1-K3
68. K1-K3

Elapsed Time: Spassky 394 minutes, Fischer 405 minutes.

69. K1-K3
70. K1-K3
71. K1-K3

Elapsed Time: Spassky 414 minutes, Fischer 425 minutes.

72. K1-K3
73. K1-K3
74. K1-K3

Elapsed Time: Spassky 434 minutes, Fischer 445 minutes.

75. K1-K3
76. K1-K3
77. K1-K3

Elapsed Time: Spassky 454 minutes, Fischer 465 minutes.

78. K1-K3
79. K1-K3
80. K1-K3

Elapsed Time: Spassky 474 minutes, Fischer 485 minutes.

81. K1-K3
82. K1-K3
83. K1-K3

Elapsed Time: Spassky 494 minutes, Fischer 505 minutes.

84. K1-K3
85. K1-K3
86. K1-K3

Elapsed Time: Spassky 514 minutes, Fischer 525 minutes.

87. K1-K3
88. K1-K3
89. K1-K3

Elapsed Time: Spassky 534 minutes, Fischer 545 minutes.

Students In Katma

Assemblymen A Disorderly; Two

KATMANDU, Nepal (AP).—College students a rampage today in Katmandu as Nepal's political crisis worsened the unprecedented six 12 members of the kingdom's National Assembly.

About 200 students at police, overturned shouted slogans against Kirti Nidhi Bista, in opposition campaign his removal from office.

Police moved in as order in the area, a black from the U.S. Suspension of the Assembly members was ed late yesterday, a after the Assembly afternoon session du many members were from the legislative c.

Two in Hospital
At least two Assembly members, including Home Minister Shrestha, were hospital treatment to injuries.

Hospital authorities Shrestha was in satish disson and had been ment for his injuries, not disclosed. But t to disclose the condition dendi Lame, an opposer of parliament ar Mr. Bista, also ad hospital, reportedly i.

Proceedings of the National Assembly a camera.

A communiqué from assembly secretariat s members, whose ider not disclosed, were su disorderly conduct afi ity of the house ha a resolution barring the remainder of t budget session.

Laird Says To Order To Cut on Aug.

WASHINGTON, Au Secretary of Defense Laird said today that Nixon would make ac am troop withdrawal ment on Aug. 25.

Mr. Nixon's decision round of troop cuts "will follow next week's National Convention, certain to renominate

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Westmoreland Is Defend In Quoted Rebuttal to C

OKLAHOMA CITY, Aug. 18 (AP).—A rebuttal to Lt. William L. Calley's appeal of his conviction in the My Lai massacre was filed yesterday in Washington, an Oklahoma City newspaper reported.

The Daily Oklahoman said in its Friday edition it had confirmed that the brief was filed with the Army Court of Military Review in Washington.

Lt. Calley was convicted in March, 1971, of murdering 22 Vietnamese civilians at My Lai in 1968. He was sentenced to life imprisonment, but the sentence later was reduced to 30 years. Lt. Calley currently is under house arrest at Ft. Benning, Ga., pending the outcome of his appeal filed last May.

Attorneys for Lt. Calley argued in the appeal that former Army Chief of Staff Gen. William C. Westmoreland exerted improper influence on the Calley trial proceedings because of a personal rather than an official interest. Gen. Westmoreland commanded U.S. forces in Vietnam at the time of the My Lai incident.

Army's Argument
In their rebuttal, Army attorneys contended that there was no undue influence from anyone in any higher level of command and that all aspects of the case were processed in the "normal procedure," the Daily Oklahoman said.

Capt. Merle F. Wilberding, one of four Army attorneys who wrote the rebuttal, was quoted as saying, "It wasn't necessary to defend Westmoreland" specifically, "although certainly we didn't abandon him."

"We took the position that their argument was irrelevant to the issues," the newspaper quoted Capt. Wilberding as saying.

He said the Army argued that Gen. Westmoreland's interest was strictly official and that he had no authority under military law to convene a court-martial. The Daily Oklahoman said.

In replying to defense arguments that pretrial publicity adversely affected the Calley case,

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ure Orderly Transfer

in Sets Up Board to Help
Uganda's Expellees

By Michael Stern

Aug. 18 (NYT).—The Home Secretary announced today that the government was setting up a board to help settle the Asians who are being expelled from Uganda.

The board, which will be headed by the Home Secretary, will have a prime responsibility for the transfer of the Asians to other parts of the country. It will also be responsible for the transfer of the Asians to other parts of the country. It will also be responsible for the transfer of the Asians to other parts of the country.

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Aug. 18 (AP).—Police prevented today from attending a meeting at the Black headquarters here.

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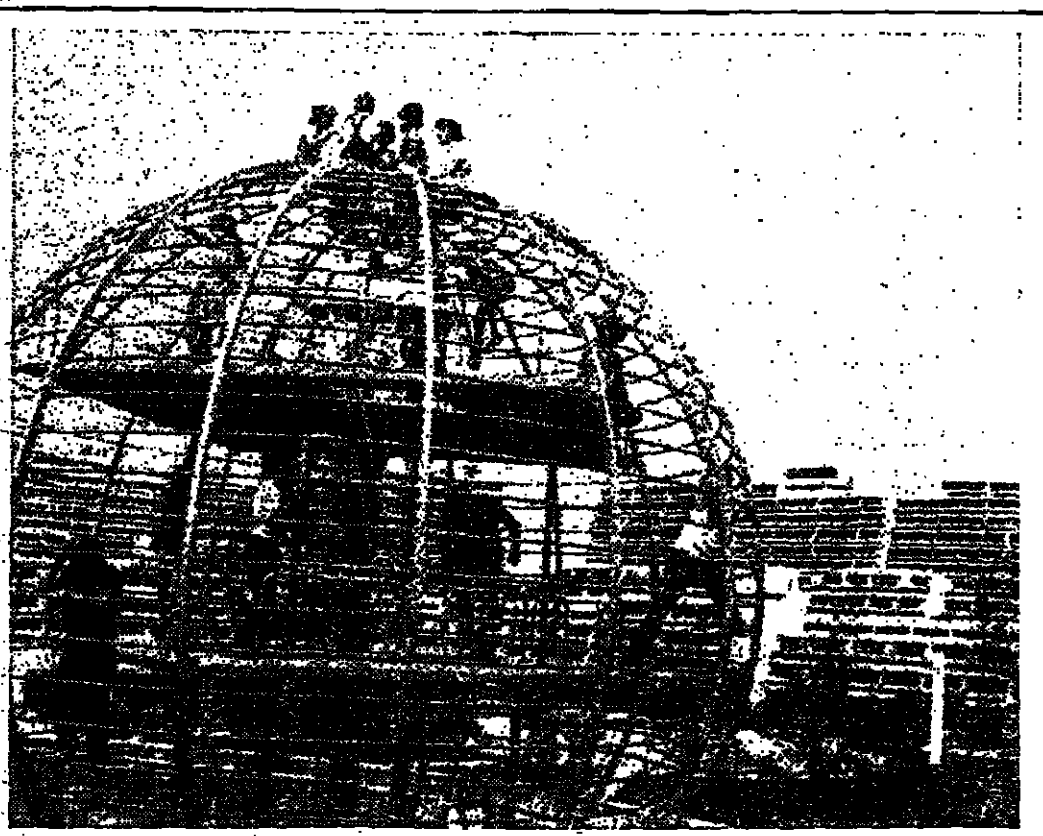
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OLYMPIANS—Though it is not an Olympic event, jungle-gym climbing is still a favorite sport with these Munich youngsters. The cage is located in the Olympic compound, which will be turned into a residential area when the Games are over.

But Liverpool Holds Out

Most U.K. Ports to Reopen Monday

LONDON, Aug. 18 (AP).—Dock-
ers today broke their three-week
stranglehold on British ports by
voting overwhelmingly to call off
their national strike and return
to work by Monday at the latest.

In two hotbeds of dockland
militancy, London, the nation's
largest port, and Hull, its third
largest, unionists brushed aside
impassioned pleas from hard-
liners to continue the stoppage
unofficially. Bernie Steer, a
leading London militant, left the
meeting here in tears.

Bomb Maims Two Troopers

Two Soldiers and Civilian
Are Shot Dead in Belfast

By Barry White

BELFAST, Aug. 18 (NYT).—
Two British soldiers were killed
by snipers and a young Roman
Catholic was assassinated in one
of Belfast's worst days of vi-
olence since the army's occupa-
tion of Catholic enclaves here three
weeks ago.

The soldiers were shot in
separate incidents this afternoon,
a few hours after two other
soldiers were badly injured in a
bomb ambush in the Catholic
Falls Road area. One of them,
aged 30, lost both legs when a
bomb exploded in a house as they
were passing by; the other, 18, lost
one leg.

In Armagh, to the southwest,
an army officer was wounded by
shattered glass from his jeep,
which was hit by snipers.

Irish Republican Army bom-
bards were active in Newtownabbey,
a northern suburb of Belfast,
hitting a pub and a garage. In
Belfast, a fire set off by an in-
cendiary bomb badly damaged a
wholesale grocery store, and
during the night, a car bomb
caused widespread destruction
near the center of the city.

The murder victim was a 21-
year-old hotel worker from
County Cavan, in the Irish
Republic. He was found riddled
with bullets in his house in a
Protestant area of east Belfast
four hours after neighbors had
heard shots. They said later

that they were too frightened to
see what had happened and
a man who lived with the victim
said he slept through it.

The murder is being added to
the long list of apparently motive-
less sectarian killings that are
terrorizing the city.

Party Blames UDA
The main Catholic opposition
group, the Social Democratic and
Labor party, today blamed the
militant Ulster Defense Associa-
tion for many of the killings. The
UDA returned to the streets yester-
day on guard duty after the
bombing of a Protestant pub.

The SDLP said in a statement
that it was public knowledge that
innocent people were stopped by
UDA patrols, asked their religious
and cold-bloodedly murdered.
Unless the killings were stopped,
the party said, it would hold the
government responsible. The
SDLP also condemned provisional
IRA bombings of civilian targets
and said these could only be
designed to instigate sectarian
violence.

In response to Catholic protests
about army occupation of school
buildings in former IRA areas,
the government announced that
it would pull soldiers out of
schools they are occupying in
Londonderry and that they would
stay in only six schools, three
Catholic and three state schools,
in Belfast.

The Minister of State for
Northern Ireland, Paul Channon,
said today there was no reason
why army use of the buildings
should affect school activities. He
added that the army would vacate
the remaining schools as soon as
the security situation allowed.

Accommodations occupied by
the army will be separate from
the schools and alternative tem-
porary classrooms are being pro-
vided, Mr. Channon said.

But pressure is building up for
total evacuation of the schools,
and teachers and parents are
threatening a boycott when they
reopen in two weeks.

Meanwhile, Britain ordered the
release today of the last two
members of the Marxist Official
wing of the IRA interned without
trial. The decision still left 172
internees suspected of being mem-
bers of the IRA's Provisional
wing. At one time more than
700 suspected IRA members were
interned.

Belgian Priest Seized
In Colombian Sweep
BOGOTA, Colombia, Aug. 18
(AP).—A Belgian Roman Catholic
priest and three relatives of a
guerrilla leader were arrested to-
day as the Colombian govern-
ment stepped up its drive against
leftist terrorists.

The Belgian Embassy said that
the Rev. Weinaels van Villigen
Armand was arrested in Medellin,
400 miles northwest of Bogota,
on charges of collaborating with
subversives. Arrested with him
were Anna Castano de Vasquez,
mother of guerrilla leader Fabio
Vasquez Castano, and two other
relatives, military sources re-
ported.

down. Local issues that arose
before the national stoppage af-
fected the decision there.

Dockers at some smaller ports
have already returned to work.
South Wales ports are due to re-
open tomorrow. At London and
the others work resumes Monday.

Vic Turner, another leading
London militant, said after the
vote: "I am disappointed by the
decision but we will abide by what
the men decided."

Mr. Turner, Mr. Steer and the
other militants claimed that the
settlement fails to provide ade-
quate job security in the ports
where modernizing techniques are
expected to end 10,000 dockers'
jobs in the next three years.

The dockers did, however, win
demands for more unloading jobs
as inland container depots. These
had been going to lower-paid
truck drivers. They also won prom-
ises of a new scale of severance
pay—up to a maximum \$9,600.

Different Losses
Settlement came before Prime
Minister Edward Heath's govern-
ment had to step in with emer-
gency powers and use troops to
move essential supplies. But it
cost the nation some \$2 billion
in foreign trade, and damaged
government prestige.

Mr. Heath's controversial strike-
control law went unused. It was
applied earlier to jail five Lon-
don dockers for illegal picketing
and touched off threats of the
nation's first general strike since
1926. During the dock strike the
government decided to let port
employers and union leaders work
out their own settlement rather
than apply the law's provisions
again.

Sacher-Masoch,
Austrian Writer,
Anti-Fascist, Dies

VIENNA, Aug. 18 (Reuters).—
Alexander Sacher-Masoch, 71,
a leading Austrian writer, died here
today after a long illness.

He was the great-nephew of
Leopold von Sacher-Masoch, who
wrote such novels as "Cruel
Women" and "Snake in Paradise,"
portraying sexual cruelty and
giving rise to the word masochism.

Alexander Sacher-Masoch wrote
numerous short stories, novels
and lyrical works.

Among his best known works
are "The Demon," "Peppo and
Pule" and "Piaplatsch
is Dreaming."

During World War II, his anti-
Fascist stand led to his intern-
ment. But, in 1943, he escaped
and joined the resistance move-
ment and later the Allied forces.

Neil Homer Smith
CHICAGO, Aug. 18 (AP).—Neil
Homer Smith, 63, author and
World War II foreign correspon-
dent for The New York Times,
London Times and Associated
Press, died yesterday.

Mr. Smith lived in Russia from
1932 to 1947 and later wrote a
book about his experiences there
entitled "Black Man in Red
Russia."

From 1947 to 1962 he lived in
Ethiopia and had almost com-
pleted a book on his life in that
country.

Toll in Shooting
On Sardinia at 5
CAGLIARI, Sardinia, Aug. 18
(Reuters).—The death toll in one
of Sardinia's worst bandit raids
rose to five today when Dr. Vin-
cenzo Lodo, 72, died of bullet
wounds in a hospital here.

Three hooded bandits trying to
kidnap the wealthy doctor on
Tuesday night opened fire when
he and members of his family
resisted. The doctor's wife, brother
and cousin, and one attacker
were killed.

Six hundred police are search-
ing in the Sardinian mountains for
the two bandits who survived
the attack. A warrant has been
issued for the arrest of Paolo
Stocchino, a baker in the small
town of Arzana near the scene
of the crime.

Says Court Lacks Jurisdiction

Iceland Rejects Ruling on Fishing

REYKJAVIK, Aug. 18 (AP).—
Iceland "strongly" protested today
the International Court of Jus-
tice's ruling that British and West
German trawlers can ignore its
50-mile fishing limit.

A statement said the govern-
ment "expresses its astonish-
ment" that the court could make
such a ruling without even hav-
ing considered whether it has ju-
risdiction in the dispute. Iceland
"has from the beginning and
repeatedly objected emphatically
to the court's right of jurisdic-
tion," the statement said.

It also expressed "surprise"
that the court "considers itself
competent" to suggest how much
fish can be taken "in the fishing
grounds around Iceland."

The International Court at The
Hague announced its ruling
yesterday in suits brought by
Britain and West Germany, which
objected to Iceland's decision to
extend its fishing limits from
12 to 50 miles from Sept. 1.

Limits Established
The court said annual limits of
170,000 tons and 119,000 tons
should be respected respectively on
British and West German catches.

Today's Icelandic statement
also said:
"The government of Iceland,
which, as known to the court,
has always expressed its willing-
ness to solve this dispute by an
interim arrangement, considers
that this interference in a dispute
still at the stage of negotiations
is highly unfortunate and likely
to hamper the negotiations."

"As hitherto, the government
of Iceland protests the court's
right of jurisdiction in the said
cases and it will not consider this
order by the court binding in
any way."

The government will firmly
carry out its decision to extend
the fisheries jurisdiction to 50
nautical miles as of Sept. 1, 1972,
in conformity with the resolution
adopted unanimously by the
parliament of Iceland.

The court ruled that Iceland
should "refrain from taking any
measures" against British or
West German vessels to enforce
its decision. The ruling was a
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Reflections on Kassel

Some of the Uses and Abuses of Art

By Michael Gibson

PARIS, August 18 (IHT).—One of the preoccupations reflected in the current Documents exhibition in Kassel, West Germany (to Oct. 8, see IHT July 7) concerns the uses and abuses of art. Harald Szeemann's agency which organized Documenta 5 and a number of other important avant-garde exhibitions in recent years, (and which is essentially Szeemann himself), was started with the idea that "property (in art) should be replaced by free actions."

This trend just reflects the latest stage in the ambiguous relationship between the artist and society, and the way art is increasingly given a property value which is both necessary for the artist if he is to live and harmful to the work itself as a

spiritual statement when monetary value is overstressed.

On a recent visit to the National Gallery in Washington I asked a guard for directions. He answered my question and added: "Don't miss seeing the Leonardo da Vinci which was bought from Lichtenstein for millions. Supposing that the millions are but as a nickel in the eyes of the lords who decided on the purchase (and I doubt that), it remains a fact that most of us view this as a very big stack of money, and the painting itself comes to symbolize a man-made value rather than the possibly significant spiritual statement the trustees themselves may have thought they were buying.

The purchase of a work of art very often amounts to buying an archetype, a sort of platonic idea which guarantees one's

involvement in the processes of culture. This is of course a crude statement of something that is surrounded by an infinite variety of shading. But it is nonetheless the most important message conveyed by social attitudes. It accounts for the manner in which content is despised while form is valued to the highest degree. If a work is prized for some sort of content it implies and requires a relationship in which the viewer defines himself. If it is prized for its formal qualities it becomes a system closed upon itself, accessible to essentially intellectual and aesthetic criteria.

But the formal approach implies both a terrible superiority and a terrible inferiority in the viewer or the owner of the work. He partakes of the eternal in the contemplation or the possession of the idea, and this raises him above all men, yet outside this moment he is nothing to the idea, and this sets him beneath everyone. This constant, violent oscillation produces both visible disdain and secret insecurity, an elitist doctrine of art and individual uncertainty which the commercial system exploits to the hilt.

Pure form is the superego of culture, the impossible, bloodless pattern of an ideal that never existed, or a Utopia that never will be. Yet it receives the additional semblance of a reality greater than anything individually human because it is valued high in terms of money—the measure of all things.

If content took precedence over form this sort of aberration would not be possible. But as long as ownership of a work of art ensures the owner status and cultural identity the mess will continue.

It is then understandable that artists today should try to find modes of expression that escape the power of the purchaser, or to subvert it to a certain extent if they cannot really escape.

Much is made of the vicious triangle in which the artist is trapped: studio-gallery-museum. But the trap is much broader than that. It is a disintegrating system that can absorb anything, a structure of attitudes so deeply bred into most of the members of our society that even some of the rebels sometimes sound like the little boy postponing running away from home until after lunchtime.

Money, power, authority are



"DA CREEPY LADY"—A detail from James Nutt's 1970 work, which is on view in the "Chicago Imagist Art" exhibition at the New York Cultural Center.

felt to be extraordinarily real, so real in fact as to be invested with a mythical quality and to eclipse the inner light that is each one's reality and that gives meaning to an individual's life.

"Culture," leisure and erotic patterns anticipate and supercede understanding, vision and spontaneous sexuality, for instance. And so people are awed by these mythical demons and sacrifice to them the spark of perishable consciousness that is their life. In its stead they receive a standard vision, standard values and a standard reality, all of which have fantastic antibiotic powers.

Artists may be obsessed with breaking through this antibiotic barrier, and their violence and absurdity are the acids they secrete to do this.

Yet to obtain money for their ventures they are obliged to go to institutions within the system which rests upon the rock of normality and normality. That is of course the foundation of the power—it hands out the criteria of normality which are also the highest rewards it can bestow.

Consequently, if the system gives money to anti-system artists to enable them to rattle the bars of the system in a museum which belongs to the system then they must be considered somehow "normal" and acceptable and consequently part of the system.

The fact that some artists are producing actions rather than

objects makes it difficult for the system to take them over entirely however, since the essential bond of ownership cannot be established. At the same time the artist's production in this case also suffers from the role it has assumed. It must renounce something essential to the role of art at all times and give up being a statement about human experience in order to become an act of violence.

This is really a bitter, painful, quasi-suicidal situation which bears the double irony of being at the same time fashionable.

Of course, the picture is by no means as simple as what I have described, nor are the motivations of the artists as clear as all that.

Documents itself does not clarify matters, but rather perpetuates the paradox. Szeemann, the astute and imaginative showman who conceived its theoretical structure has chosen a pedagogical approach which makes the exhibition something of a 3-D art book in which the theoretical text of the catalogue is illustrated by the works.

This makes the general effect all the more reconciling and overruling and strikes me, in its didactic objectivity, as somewhat in contradiction with other more "militant" declarations of purpose. Szeemann's own attitude is far from simple however, and he appears quite at ease in his paradoxical position on a ridge between two worlds.

THE ART MARKET

A Look at Official Statistics

By Sourin Melikian

PARIS, Aug. 18 (IHT).—Reading Christie's and Sotheby's figures for the past season—October, 1971, through August, 1972—is like trying to interpret the official statistics released by the great powers. Everything is fine, and everybody is looking forward to the brilliant future. The auctioneer's idea of felicity, unlike that of the economist, is of ever-increasing prices.

One of the great difficulties that the observer is faced with here is comparing figures not necessarily released in comparable form. Taking first things first, it is not easy to compare Christie's and Sotheby's "works." Christie's announces a "total turnover" reflecting the value of all works put up at auction of just over \$245 million on 234 sales, which includes one three-day sale in the United States at Rose Terrace, Detroit, and others in Montreal, Sydney and Melbourne, Düsseldorf, Rome and Geneva.

Only one figure is given for the foreign sales—\$194,500 for arms and armor, silver and objects of art at the single Düsseldorf auction.

With "Sotheby's Parke-Bernet" as the official release puts it, things are still more complicated. The "net turnover" (reflecting only the value of works sold) amounts to \$432 million on 943 sales.

This jumps London and New York together plus Sotheby's Parke-Bernet, Los Angeles—not turnover \$13 million—Canada, Italy and South Africa.

Abstract Terms

It is therefore in somewhat abstract terms that one has to compare the respective financial importance of Christie's and Sotheby's. Seen through total terms, the balance is very much in Sotheby's favor, with the gap increasing considerably this year. This year's total is \$7.5 million more than the net figure for the previous year. Christie's total, on the other hand, shows a slight decrease, \$245 million instead of \$252 million. Yet it would be wrong to assume that Christie's has not been successful. They point out that the drop is primarily due to the fact that the 1970-71 season included Velasquez's portrait of Don Juan de Peres and Titian's "Death of Actaeon," which accounted for almost \$4 million of the total. This is no doubt true, but Sotheby's has been planning ahead

and the real question is: Does the difference in absolute figures really matter? I don't think so.

First of all, we do not know to what extent London itself accounts for the increase. My guess is that New York has played an essential role and, to a much lesser extent, so has Los Angeles. Moreover, once a certain scale has been reached, what matters in company economics is the quality of management and, in the particular case of an auction company, the dexterity in handling sales. In this respect, Christie's need not have any qualms.

What I think is impressive on Sotheby's record is its ability to develop into an international network and to find new formulas meeting new needs. The development of Parke-Bernet, which one should never forget, is 100 percent controlled by Sotheby's, is an important phenomenon in the art market. The highest departmental total for the whole company was achieved by Impressionist and modern pictures, which reached \$212,600, of which London contributed \$4,582,000, we are told. The difference is probably almost entirely accounted for by Parke-Bernet.

Running through the list of successful sales at Parke-Bernet, one is struck by the predominance of 19th- and 20th-century paintings and sculpture. There was a \$2 million sale on Oct. 20 when the Solomon R. Guggenheim Foundation sold a number of very fine pieces and a \$3.5 million sale on the following day with several world records broken. American paintings, particularly postwar and contemporary, made the headlines. Finally, there was the \$3.8 million sale of 19th- and 20th-century masters last April. This is largely due to the part played by the American art critic and historian Paul H. Heston, now assistant vice-president of Parke-Bernet.

The other success story is the extraordinary year of Sotheby's, beginning virtually created and run by Marcus Lussell. In its first season, starting Sept. 30, 1971, and ending this July, it had a net turnover of \$1,588,200. Dealing exclusively in paintings, sculpture and objects d'art from 1830-1900 and including all the schools recognized as great (you will never see a painting by Renoir or Monet or a Turner or a Caravaggio, etc.) it has established itself on the market at an

almost incredible speed only a major success in England, but a defeat for Sotheby's who began interest in art money in the 19th century producing as the arts deco—the 30s—at a very early rate. However, the way, the French did not follow the international market. Sotheby's organized a whole new category of buyers, mostly seen at 19 Montmartre, 34-35 New Bond St. and 24 rue.

Versatility

Sotheby's has a versatility of this kind verified in this case. Sotheby's Parke-Bernet sales couldn't they shorter names?—over of \$1.3 million to be consequently small Parke-Bernet sales in New York, London, is emerging.

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Shocks Set; to Avert Shutdown

Participation Key Issue

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FINANCIAL NEWS AND NOTES

Ruhrkohle Reports Loss

The mammoth Ruhr district coal mining combine, Ruhrkohle, lost 380 million deutsche marks (about \$118 million) on its 7.2 billion DM volume of business last year, company chairman Helmut Kemper reports. The company, which holds an almost total monopoly of Ruhr coal mining, says the situation is still unsatisfactory and causing all shareholders considerable concern. The giant company was formed in 1969 by merging the coal mining interests of West Germany's leading coke, steel and energy concerns. Mr. Kemper says the loss resulted from an unexpectedly sharp economic downturn in the iron and steel industry, resulting in falling sales and increasing coal stockpiles.

Mitsubishi Sees Sales, Profits Gain

Mitsubishi Electric Industrial Co. hopes to report about 10 percent growth in both gross sales and net income in the consolidated results for the year ending Nov. 30, 1972, says managing director Masafumi Hino. It reported sales of over \$3 billion last year and net income of \$189 million. In the first half, sales were \$1.63 billion, up 15 percent on the corresponding period of last year, and net income of \$109 million was up 28 percent. The percentage increases were relatively higher because of business in the corresponding period of the

previous year was at a low ebb. Mr. Hino believes total Japanese domestic demand for electrical goods will continue to expand at the rate of about 10 to 12 percent a year for the next four or five years.

Saab-Scania Sees Sales Gain for Year

The Saab-Scania group, which manufactures cars, airplanes, computers and electronic systems, forecasts a slight sales increase this year in its half year economic report. Operating results before allocations and taxes are expected to increase faster than turnover, the Swedish company said. Sales in the first six months amounted to 2.34 billion kroner (\$447 million), a 12 percent increase from the like period last year. Operating results before allocations increased 50 percent to 180 million kroner. The group's backlog amounted to 2.9 billion kroner, unchanged from a year earlier.

Japan Plans Uranium Production

Japan's Atomic Energy Commission has decided to develop a centrifuge method of producing enriched uranium. Officials say the government plans to take up the development as a national project with a budget of 7 billion yen (about \$23 million) in fiscal 1973, beginning next April 1. It is aimed at completion of a plant to manufacture enriched uranium beginning in 1985.

Survey Sees 2% Rise, Down From 9% Last Year

U.S. Firms' Foreign Spending Levels Off

By Herbert Koshetz

NEW YORK, Aug. 18 (NYT)—Foreign investments by U.S. industrial corporations are leveling off this year, the economics department of McGraw-Hill Publications Co. reported yesterday. In 1971, manufacturing and petroleum companies plan to invest \$13 billion in property, plants and equipment in foreign countries, a rise of 2 percent over investments in 1971. The increase last year over 1970 represented a gain of 9 percent. Estimated investments in 1972, McGraw-Hill said, will amount to \$13.2 billion, while in 1973, plans call for a total investment of \$13.5 billion.

Douglas Greenwood, chief economist for McGraw-Hill Publications, pointed out that industry is making optimistic forecasts about sales and profits from their overseas operations. "Manufacturers," he said, "indicate greater optimism concerning sales by overseas subsidiaries than they do with regard to sales of their domestic operations. They now expect overseas sales to increase by 12 percent in 1972 and by 13 percent in each of the following two years. By contrast, manufacturers last spring said they expected domestic sales to increase by only 9 percent this year and by less than 8 percent in the following three years." Mr. Greenwood said that more

than three-fifths of responding companies expect higher profit margins abroad this year and two-thirds project even higher profit margins in 1973. One reason for the higher profit margins, he said, is the higher manufacturing utilization rate, which is expected to reach 88 percent of capacity as against 83 percent in 1971. The petroleum industry, as in previous years, will register the highest overseas investment of any industrial group in 1972. Oil companies will invest \$5.15 billion, a gain of 10 percent compared to 1971. Machinery and chemical companies are the next largest investors, each with plans to spend \$1.7 billion abroad this year. The Common Market countries will get almost one-quarter of total industrial investments abroad.

Canada's share is expected to come to 20 percent of the total but it will receive only 13 percent in the next two years, while Latin America will get about 14 percent this year and in 1973 and 1974. The Australia-Oceania region will receive 11 percent this year and by 1974, 15 percent of the total. In contrast, the Japan-Asia region will receive only 5 to 6 percent in the 1972-1974 period. Mr. Greenwood noted that \$1.8 billion, or 14 percent of U.S. investment overseas, goes for capital equipment exported from this country.

U.S. Forecloses Auto Price Hikes Before October

WASHINGTON, Aug. 18 (NYT)—The Price Commission has called a hearing for Sept. 12 on price increases sought by auto manufacturers for their 1973 models. It said written comment could be sent in by Sept. 30—thus preventing manufacturers from raising prices until October at the earliest. Donald Rumsfeld, director of the Cost of Living Council, appealed to the manufacturers to reduce requested price increases as General Motors did late yesterday, or withdraw them altogether.

Mr. Rumsfeld said the auto industry had benefited considerably by President Nixon's new economic policy and had the responsibility for cooperating in the fight against inflation. He said he was encouraged by the GM decision to cut its proposed 80 percent increase in the price of 1973 models to 55 percent and hoped that the other manufacturers "would take up the rest of the distance down that road." Chrysler and American Motors earlier had refused to withdraw their total requests. Ford's response is expected next week.

German Reserves Rise
FRANKFURT, Aug. 18 (Reuters)—West Germany's net monetary reserves rose by just under 100 million deutsche marks (about \$31 million) to 79.3 billion in the week ended Aug. 15, the Bundesbank said today.

One Dollar—

LONDON (AP-DJ)—The late or closing interbank rates for the dollar on the major international exchanges:
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Fed Tightens Credit to Slow Money Spurt

9% Expansion Rate Exceeded 6% Target

NEW YORK, Aug. 18 (NYT)—The Federal Reserve System, which has been struggling recently to get monetary expansion back on the track of moderate growth that it achieved in the second quarter, has tightened credit somewhat in the last few weeks. The monetary aggregates, which measure varying aspects of the availability of funds in the economy, have in several key instances, been largely reflecting the money managers' attempt to counteract a sudden spurt in monetary growth in early July.

For example, the money supply—which the Fed estimates grew at a 15 percent annual rate last month as a result of the spurt—averaged \$240.2 billion a day in the week ended Aug. 9, up only \$400 million from the average in the four weeks ended on that date. However, due to the July spurt in money growth—a jump that, contrary to the Fed's initial expectations, has not reversed itself—the money supply has increased at a 9 percent seasonally-adjusted compound annual rate of growth in the last three months. This is well over the Fed's presumed target rate of about 6 percent annual growth. The bank's effort to slow the rate of monetary expansion can also be seen in the growth of reserves available for private non-bank deposits, which the money managers use as a day-to-day operating target for their policy actions. These reserves averaged \$30.51 billion a day in the four weeks ended Wednesday, which was equal to a 7.8 percent, seasonally-adjusted compound rate of expansion in the last quarter.

GM Offer on Prices Buys N.Y.

By Vartan G. Vartan

NEW YORK, Aug. 18 (NYT)—Prices rallied modestly on the New York Stock Exchange today after registering three moderate declines in a row. These declines were regarded by many analysts as a normal consolidation process that followed the strong Monday performance carrying several market averages to record levels.

The Dow Jones Industrial average rose 4.44 to 958.59. On Monday, it finished at 973.51, its best reading in nearly 40 months. Market sentiment was helped today by at least two developments. The government, revising earlier figures, disclosed improved second-quarter results for the gross national product on both the output and inflation fronts.

Also, the inflation-related announcement by General Motors that it would trim its proposed increase on prices, yielding to White House pressure, helped. GM rose 1 1/8 to 76. Chrysler added 1/2 at 31, while Ford and American Motors were unchanged.

An unusual feature was the strength in National Cash Register, up 1 5/8 to 34 on the active list, and in L. S. Starrett, up 2 1/4 to 21 1/8 as one of the day's best percentage gainers.

Analysts related these gains to passage by the Senate of legislation that would convert the U.S. system of measurements to the metric system over the next 10 years. Starrett produces measuring devices. National Cash also was seen as a beneficiary, inasmuch as congressional approval of the bill would mean new business for the company in converting machines now in use. Franklin Mint, the volume leader, fell 2 1/8 to 37 1/8 after trading as low as 36. It dropped 2 1/2 yesterday. Some brokers attributed the decline to profit-taking by institutions. Farm equipment stocks, buoyed by sharply increased profits, included gains of 1 5/8, to 74, for

Rise in Profits Adds More Fuel

Deere and 1 1/8, to 36, for International Harvester. Both issues posted yearly highs. Allis-Chalmers added 3/4 at 13 3/8.

Oil issues, the comeback group of the week among blue chips, showed fractional advances in Continental, Gulf and Amstar Oil & Gas. Sears, Roebuck fell 3 3/4 to 107 in heavy trading after showing record profits for its latest quarter. However, analysts indicated disappointment at the slowing rate of profit increases. Penney declined 1 1/8 to 82 3/8. Prices moved higher in moder-

ate trading on the American Stock Exchange, where the index moved up 0.04 to 26.96.

General Cinema rose 3 3/8 to 47 1/8 after it withdrew a 400,000 share combination offering due to unsatisfactory market conditions.

Across-the-board gains of about 1/8 of a point were scored in the corporate bond market this week but the government bond market was mixed. Traders said the corporate sector closed with an excellent tone and higher prices are expected for next week.

In the government market, coupons were a touch weaker on the day and mixed this week. In the over-the-counter market, the NASDAQ index rose 0.83 to 135.51.

RCA to Sell Satellite Station To China for \$5.7 Million

By Robert J. Samuelson

WASHINGTON, Aug. 18 (WP)—China signed a \$5.7 million contract with RCA Global Communications yesterday to install a satellite earth station outside Peking and enlarge the existing earth station near Shanghai.

The action apparently means that China—which has had only a small number of unreliable communications links with outside countries—has decided to expand significantly its telephone and telegraph service to the rest of the world.

With two earth stations, the Chinese will be able to communicate simultaneously with communications satellites over the Pacific and Indian Oceans. The Pacific Ocean satellite can relay telephone, telegraph or television signals to the South Pacific, North America, and South America; the Indian Ocean satellite serves the Indian subcontinent,

Africa, the Middle East and Europe.

Until early this year, China's outside communications consisted entirely of a small number of high-frequency radio circuits, linking it with England, France, Italy, Switzerland, Japan and Hong Kong, communications experts report.

In February, RCA installed a small earth station in Shanghai to provide television coverage of President Nixon's trip; the station has remained and China now has four full-time telephone circuits with the West Coast of the United States.

Yesterday's sale, which represents the largest U.S. export to China since Mr. Nixon relaxed trade restrictions last year, comes as the Chinese continue negotiations with Boeing over the possible purchase of ten 707 jets for about \$150 million.

If History Repeats, Dow Will Soar After War

By Ernest A. Schonberger

LOS ANGELES, Aug. 18.—Whenever Henry Kissinger leaves for Paris or Peking—or when he simply cannot be located by the press corps for a day or so—the stock market rallies. Clearly, it wants peace.

When the peace rumor fades, so does the market. Why do investors tend to get bullish at prospects for an end to the Vietnam war? Harris, Upham & Co., a national brokerage firm, has compiled data which shows that, in the past 75 years, peace was a 100 percent guarantee of significantly higher stock prices within a year.

The current potential peace circumstances may be different, the study notes, because it may simply fade away without a formal cease-fire or armistice. Washington has been claiming a gradual phase out has been under way for some time, in fact, and most analysts agree that peace as a market factor has already been discounted in part.

An investment of \$1,000 in a hypothetical portfolio consisting of the 30 stocks which made up the Dow index at the end of World War II, grew to \$1,300 in nine months. After the Korean war, a \$1,000 investment took a six-week dip to about \$960 and then rebounded sharply to about \$1,260 over the next 10 months. A similar investment after World War I sold for three months to a value of \$900, then soared in nine months to around \$1,360.

Ralph Acampora of Harris, Upham (who analyzed the study compiled by one of the firm's retired executives) disagrees strongly with those who expect no more positive impact if peace comes in Vietnam.

Mr. Acampora notes, for instance, that the market had three months to digest the probable market impact of the ending of World War I before the armistice was formally signed.

On Dec. 17, 1944, the Allies won the critical Battle of the Bulge; Germany's unconditional surrender came May 8, 1945, and the Japanese gave up in August. In the interim, the market bounced around in a neutral range, saving the rally until peace was certain.

Similarly, many months of haggling preceded the actual cease-fire ending the Korean war on July 27, 1953. The Dow was in a steady downtrend through most of the war, then leveled for two months only to resume a downturn slightly before the war ended.

Sees History Repeating
Mr. Acampora thinks the probabilities are high that a Vietnam settlement will be reached in the next few months. He notes that the stock market has been acting as it did in other periods when wars were drawing to an end—trading in a relatively neutral range, with rallies whenever a hopeful sign arose.

If history repeats, Mr. Acampora expects: several more months of neutral market activity; a drop to the low 900s, and a major rally. Anthony Tabell, who has compiled many statistical studies of his own, disagrees.

A partner of Delafield, Harvey, Mr. Tabell of Princeton says: "I'm not sure peace would be all that important this time. The phasing-out of this war has been more gradual and in all probability has been relatively discounted." He is inclined to think that peace would bring selling to realize profits.

He expects lower prices over the next year. The supply of new stocks should so overwhelm demand that the Dow will drop at least 100 points from its current 950 range, he feels.

Mr. Tabell says the supply of stock will grow because of the continuing eagerness of corporations to float new issues and of individuals to sell secondary offerings.

Henry Kaufman, partner in Solomon Bros., and who also has studied postwar forces, says that "peace will certainly be a favorable development for the equity market this time."

Mr. Kaufman agrees that the supply of stock offerings will keep something of a lid on prices. But only relatively. A record \$9 billion in equity offerings came to market in the year ended June 30, 1972. This was on top of roughly \$8.5 billion in fiscal 1971. In the fiscal year just started, he expects stock offerings to remain high by historical standards but to decline slightly to \$7.5 billion.

That is still a far cry from the \$2 billion to \$3 billion which was the yearly norm in the 1950s and early 1960s. Mr. Kaufman believes corporations have rebuilt substantial liquidity in the last two years and will find a diminishing need to raise money in the stock market.

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1st Shipment Puts Ecuador Among Major Oil Exporters

By H.J. Maidenberry

QUITO, Ecuador, Aug. 18 (NYT)—The first export of petroleum from the new Texaco-Gulf oil fields has left Ecuador. Overnight the shipment—314,000 barrels—made this small South American country the second-largest oil exporter in Latin America after Venezuela.

But there were no ceremonies to mark the event at the new oil terminal at Balao, near Sumerales, on the Pacific, or the new offshore pumping facilities. However, the cargo was subject to full taxation and treated as normal export.

The military has decreed that half the crude oil exports must be carried on Ecuadorian-flag tankers and has formed a state company for that purpose. But the company does not have any tankers and is presently negotiating with Japanese shipping interests to obtain some.

Ecuador's entry into the ranks of petroleum-exporting countries began five years ago when the joint Texaco-Gulf oil operation started drilling in the Amazonian jungles on the eastern side of the Andes. Oil was found in the first 39 of 42 wells drilled, a phenomenal record according to petroleum experts.

About a score of other companies are now drilling for the "sweet" or low-sulfur, crude oil that is highly prized in pollution-conscious markets.

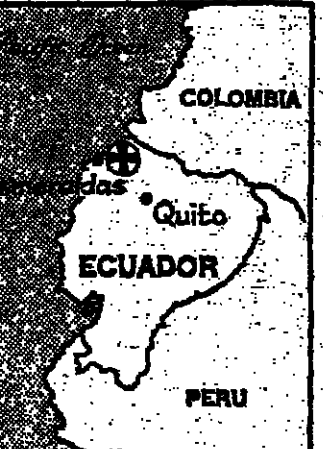
The center of the Texaco-Gulf operation is at Lago Agrio, or Biter Lake. From there a road was built and a pipeline laid over the Andes to the Pacific coast terminal, which now has six storage tanks with a capacity of 320,000 barrels each.

A six-mile pair of underwater pipelines were connected from the tanks to two fixed buoys about two miles apart out at sea. Each buoy has pumps that can load 80,000 barrels an hour.

The capacity of the 335-mile pipeline from Lago Agrio to Balao is 250,000 barrels a day, but this can be raised to 400,000 barrels. Overall, the operation has cost Texaco-Gulf some \$560 million thus far.

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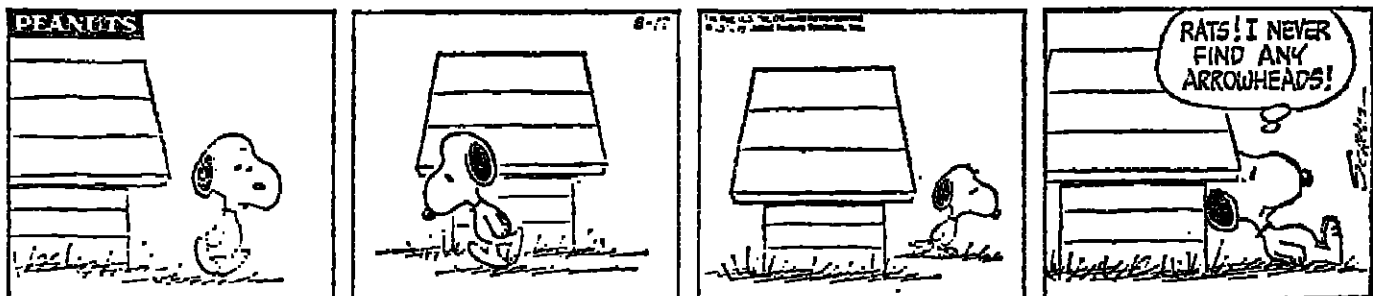
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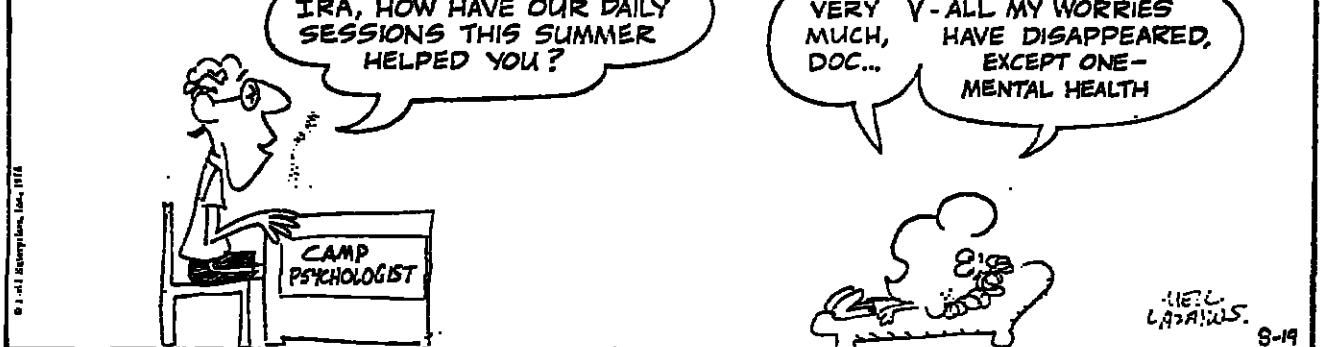
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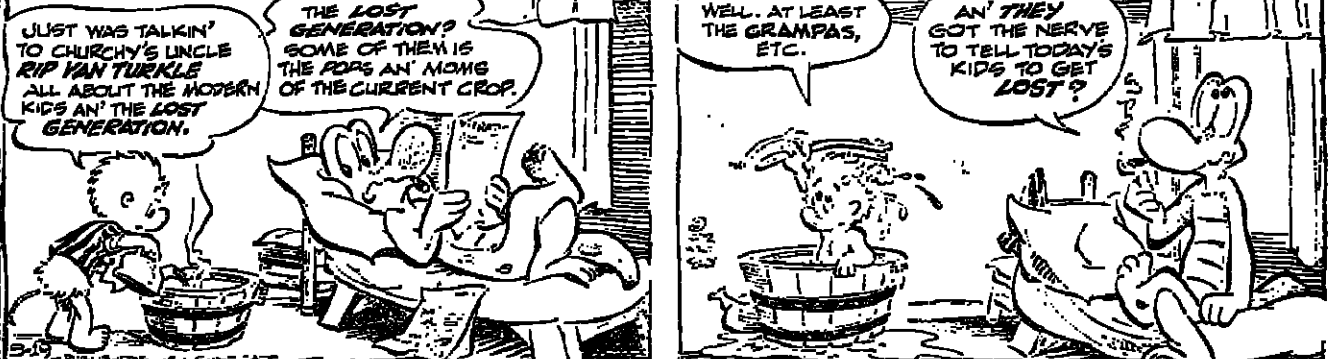
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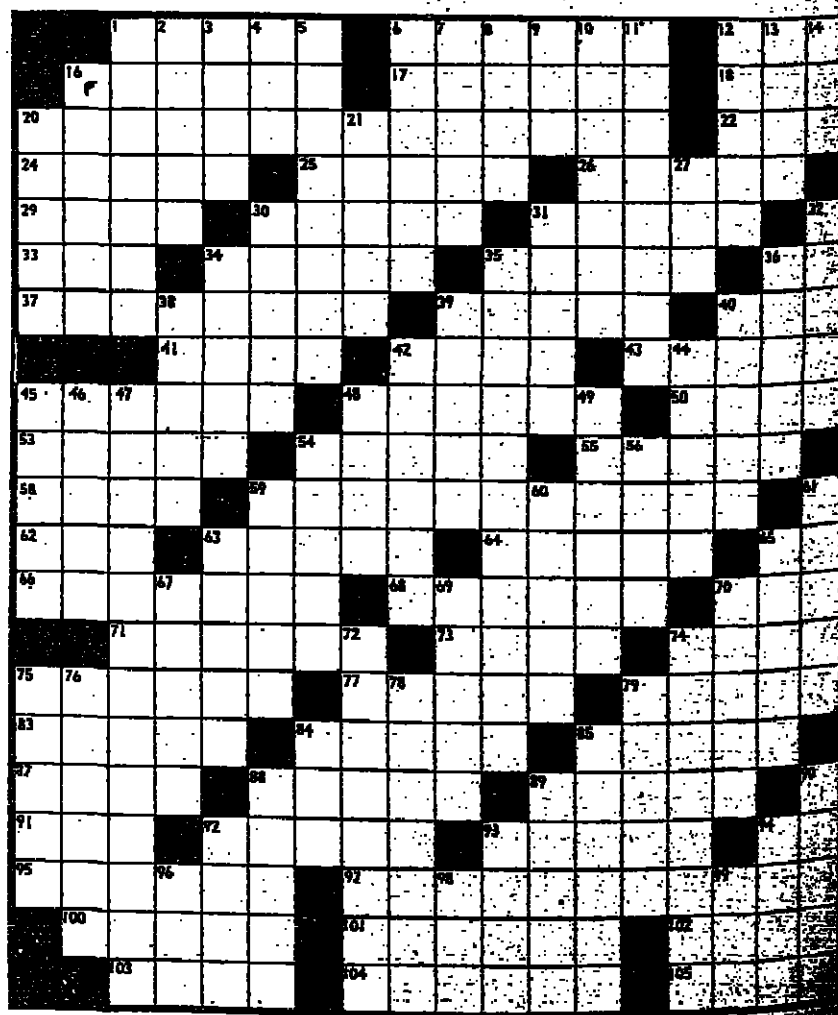
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ASSORTED WORDS - By Manuel Canyes



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Wins His 20th Game ton Makes Phillies rld-Beaters Again

By William Eisen

PHILADELPHIA, Aug. 18 (UPI).—Steve Carlton, Philadelphia Phillies pitcher, won his 20th game today.

Carlton, 28, won his 20th game today, a 4-2 victory over the Cincinnati Reds. He pitched a complete game, allowing two runs, two hits and one walk.

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Bedford Quits Training Site For Privacy

LONDON, Aug. 18 (AP).—David Bedford, the storm center of British track, quit his Olympic training camp in Switzerland and went into hiding near London today.

Bedford, European record holder for the 5,000 and 10,000 meters and Britain's brightest track hope for a gold medal in Munich, disappeared after disputes with athletic officials and newsmen. He was also reported to be suffering from an upset stomach.

A family source said he had slipped into Britain and was planning to continue his Olympic practice privately.

Officials had warned the 22-year-old Bedford that he might be dropped from the Olympic squad. This came after allegations that he had fired an air gun shot that just missed a team colleague at the St. Moritz training camp.

Several members of the team were reported to have ignored Bedford since the incident. Earlier, he asked to be allowed to train separately, but was turned down.

At his best, Bedford gives the impression of being able to beat any distance star in the world. But he has often failed on big occasions, including the last European championships at Helsinki.

Arthur Gold, chief of the British Olympic squad, made several telephone calls during the night to Zurich and Munich in a bid to locate the missing runner. Later he said Bedford would probably be allowed to complete his Olympic practice here.



Dave Bedford

Hewitt Displays His Temper And Skill in Canadian Tennis

TORONTO, Aug. 18 (UPI).—South Africa's Bob Hewitt, loudly jeered for his conduct, defeated Ivan Molina of Colombia yesterday to advance to the quarterfinals of the Canadian Open tennis championship.

The sixth-seeded Hewitt, who kicked a chair and bounced a few balls into the crowd, turned back Molina, 6-7, 6-4, 7-5, coming back from 0-3 in the final two sets.

Hewitt explained his behavior by saying he was "physically popped" following the U.S. Clay Court championships in Indianapolis, where he won both the singles and doubles crowns.

Hewitt was loudly booed by the crowd, on almost every occasion, and he admitted, "I deserved that trash from them."

Facing a Rhodesian, Hewitt got against unseeded Andrew Pattison of Rhodesia in a quarterfinal match. Other quarterfinal matches were Patrick Proisy of France against Guillermo Vilas of Argentina, Jiro Val Velasco of Colombia, against Jaime Fillol of Chile and Adriano Panatta of Italy against top-seeded Ilie Nastase of Romania.

Velasco beat Patrick Proisy of Chile, 6-3, 6-2; Fillol topped Charles Owens of the United States, 7-6, 7-5; Proisy ousted Japan's Jun Inamitsu, 6-2, 6-1; Panatta stopped Rescoe Tanner of the United States and Nastase.

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Some Black U.S. Athletes Hint At Joining Boycott of Olympics

By Bernard Kirsch

MUNICH, Aug. 18 (UPI).—A group of black American athletes, who came here with only gold medals on their minds, may follow the footsteps of their "African brothers" away from the Olympics.

In an ambiguous but ominous statement released today in the Olympic Village, the black American track stars said:

"In light of the Rhodesian acceptance into the Games, the U.S. black athletes now in the Olympic Park believe it imperative to take a stand concerning the issue. We denounce Rhodesia's participation and if they are allowed to compete, we will take a united stand with our African brothers."

And that stand is spelled boycott.

Opening in Week

As of this morning, 11 African nations said that they would boycott the 20th Olympic Games—scheduled to open a week from tomorrow—if "the rebel government Rhodesia" is allowed to participate.

Although the United Nations has sanctioned Rhodesia for its racial policies, the German Olympic organizing committee and the International Olympic Committee have said it is all right with certain conditions—for the Rhodesians to compete here. They must compete under the British flag, as they did in 1964 in their last Olympics, and "God Save the Queen" must be played should there be a Rhodesian victory.

Last week, two African countries, Tanzania and Sierra Leone, announced that they were boycotting the Games. There was no monumental reaction because the Olympics and television money, would not be denied.

Soon, Ethiopia and then Kenya, a dominant force in track and field, left, but still the IOC, led by Avery Brundage, held fast and said that Rhodesia would stay. Egypt will announce its decision soon and Pakistan is thinking it over.

The IOC agreed to allow Rhodesia's entrance although its team was barred from entering Mexico on "rebel passports" in 1968 and thus did not compete in the Games.

Issue Revived

After Africa's Supreme Council for Sports again raised the issue several weeks ago, the IOC said that the Rhodesians would just have to show their Olympic identification cards and not passports, to enter West Germany, and that their official team title would be "Southern Rhodesia"—the country's name before it unilaterally declared independence from Britain in 1967 rather than grant a governing role to its overwhelming black majority.

The statement today by the black Americans was not signed. It was not the first Olympic manifestation of black power.

In the 1968 Games, the American blacks, besides causing a stir with their speech, disturbed the protocol of the Olympics as Tommie Smith and John Carlos—who finished first and third in the 200 meters—gave the raised fist black power salute after receiving their medals on the podium as several million people watched on television.

Four more black Americans, Ron Freeman, Larry James, Vince Matthews and Lee Evans—were

black socks while winning the 400 relay.

Today's statement first became known late in the afternoon when it was released to a broadcaster of the American Broadcasting Company, which is televising the Olympics back to the United States. There has been no firm IOC reaction yet. The IOC has

its grand opening session, in a theater in downtown Munich, tomorrow night.

Although the IOC said it would not be forced by a show of power into changing its stand on Rhodesia, the Americans' statement—while it did not use the word "boycott"—while it spoke for less than a majority of the

American group, which will be coming in the next three days—plus pressure from television people who stand to lose substantial investments, may cause a bit of a stir.

If not, the 20th Olympic Games may be an all-white affair, except for six confused black Rhodesians.



United Press International

UP AND OVER—In perhaps the only track action they will see in Munich because of the African Olympic boycott, three Kenyans swept to victory in the 3,000-meter steeplechase at the Hannu-Braun memorial meet. Ben Jipcho (267) was first, Amos Biwott (272) was second and Kip Keino (266) was third. All were favored in events at the Olympics.

Rams to Give Ailing Gabriel A Workout in NFL Exhibition

NEW YORK, Aug. 18 (UPI).—Roman Gabriel will find out this weekend how far he's come back since his lung collapse.

Tommy Prothro, head coach of the Los Angeles Rams, says that Gabriel will be the starting quarterback tomorrow when his club takes on the Oakland Raiders in a National Football League pre-season game. Gabriel suffered a collapsed lung on the opening day of practice three weeks ago and has been rebuilding his stamina slowly.

"I haven't been aware of the lung problem the last four or five days," Gabriel said. "I feel I'm getting the wind capacity I had before the injury. I think everything's going to be all right."

Prothro hopes so. His two reserve quarterbacks—veteran Jerry Rhome and John Walton, a taxi-squad rookie—have thrown seven interceptions in the two pre-season contests Gabriel has missed.

Big Pass Rushers

Prothro has not decided how long Gabriel, always one of the league's top passers, will play against the Raiders, a hard-passing team, but it will probably be no longer than a half.

There is a full schedule this weekend. Minnesota is at Buffalo and Washington is at Buffalo. Philadelphia tonight. In other games, tomorrow, San Francisco is at San Diego, Miami is at Cincinnati, Denver is at St. Louis, Houston is

Aaron, Schlee Leading in Golf In Massachusetts

SUTTON, Mass., Aug. 18 (UPI).—Tommy Aaron, a former Canadian Open champion, and John Schlee shared the opening-round lead yesterday in the \$200,000 U.S. Industries Classic with 67s, as ailing Lee Trevino carded a 74.

Trevino, showing the effects of a weekend influenza attack, was escorted by marshals to a waiting car after finishing his round at the Pleasant Valley Country Club here. "I'm going to get some rest and go to bed," said the British Open champion.

With a first prize of \$40,000 at stake, Trevino is here trying to close the gap on Jack Nicklaus, who leads him in season earnings by \$106,518. Nicklaus bypassed this event.

The runner-up group at 68 in yesterday's play included Bob Charles, Martin Bohen, Tom Ulfass and Rick Massengale.

Dave Stockton, who won here a year ago when the tourney was the Massachusetts Classic, had a 68 after a 35 that included a recovery for a put after his drive cleared a footbridge and landed among bushes. He also holed a 40-foot birdie putt at the 11th green, one of the course's huge putting surfaces, 70 yards from front to the back edge.

FIRST-ROUND LEADERS

Tommy Aaron	33	34-67
John Schlee	34	33-67
Bob Charles	35	33-68
Tom Ulfass	35	33-68
Martin Bohen	34	34-68
Rick Massengale	32	36-68
Mike Beemer	36	33-69
Mike Hall	32	37-69
Bruce Darby	33	36-69
Dave Stockton	38	33-69
Steve Melby	31	38-69
Feb Remy	33	36-69
Eubert Green	37	32-69
Relc Irwin	39	33-69

Cowboys Trade For Concannon

CHICAGO, Aug. 18 (UPI).—The Chicago Bears traded a quarterback Jack Concannon, to the Dallas Cowboys of the National Football League yesterday.

The Bears obtained Bob Asher, an offensive tackle formerly of Vanderbilt, who was playing his second year with the Cowboys; Bill Line, a rookie defensive tackle from Southern Methodist, and the second Dallas draft choice in the 1973 draft.

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How Houk Revived the Yankees

By Joseph Durso

NEW YORK, Aug. 18 (UPI).—To the New York Yankees, the turning point came the day that Ralph Houk closed the clubhouse door, denied he was a lame-duck manager and told the players that the Columbia Broadcasting System would have to "fire me" before he would leave.

He also told them he would not tolerate any more bickering and would levy stiff fines on players who criticized the performance of teammates.

"I don't usually take your money," the manager said, "but I will now. And not any of those \$25 fines. If I read or hear any more complaints about other players, it will cost you \$1,000."

At the time, the Yankees were struggling along in fifth place in the American League's East with only the Milwaukee Brewers below them. They also were being denounced as a sort of civic disaster in contrast to the streaking Mets. They were playing barely better than .400 ball, had hit only two dozen home runs in 50 odd games and rumors were rampant that Houk would switch to the Boston Red Sox next year.

In the 50-odd games since the closed meeting, they have doubled their home-run production, played better than .600 baseball and become contenders in the most clamorous comeback of the season. They are only one and a half games out of first.

A Clear Warning

Houk clearly was warning the players in that meeting six weeks ago not to assume that he was "gone." In effect, they have rallied round and have played the best ball of any Yankee team since the last pennant in 1964.

"He laid it on the line," one player said. "He was fed up with the complaints he'd been hearing—pitchers criticizing outfielders and things like that. And he didn't want us to think we were working for a lame duck with no stake in things here. We don't know what's happening between him and CBS but he's the best manager most of us have played for."

The Yankee players were not especially straying from Houk's control before he laid down the law. They were getting good pitching but were not hitting or fielding well, and they began to chafe under public criticism. Even when the bickering arose, it was aimed at other players—Roy White played left field too deep, the



Ralph Houk

Infield couldn't make the double play and so on. Houk, who has been accused of being an outrageous optimist, repeated his favorite theme before former Yankee heroes at the club's annual old-timers dinner a month ago:

"People come at us pretty strong these days, but I've got to say it again—the line between winning and losing in baseball is thin. We're one or two players away, so don't think this is just Houk running off at the mouth again."

By then, the manager, 53 years old tomorrow, had conducted his closed clubhouse meeting on the state of affairs. After it, the Yankees flew west and won consecutive series against Oakland, Minnesota and California. The muttering has subsided.

"Nobody except Ralph spoke at the meeting," one of the players said. "Maybe one or two guys raised their hands and offered to work out early if anybody else needed help. He just wanted us to know that he was still in charge."

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